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Major Capital Projects Underway in Fiscal Year 2009

In fiscal year 2009, construction was completed on the new 132,000 square foot building on the Elizabeth Campus. The Elizabeth I. Kellogg Building houses a Library/Information Commons, 32 classrooms, 7 computer laboratories, faculty offices, and dining facilities. The Thomas H. Brown Center for Business and Education Advancement will be located on the fifth floor of the Kellogg Building. The center will provide office suites for use as economic development offices by various city, county, and state agencies. It will also provide state-of-the-art facilities to host major training sessions and conferences for agencies throughout the county. The office of Customized Training (IBI) will be housed there. In addition, the Trinitas School of Nursing, which was recently designated as a Center of Excellence, will be located on the third floor of the Kellogg Building. Another floor will provide space for projected growth in existing as well as new UCC academic programs.

Other facilities projects underway or completed in FY 09 were the following: renovations to the Humanities Building restrooms on the Cranford Campus; interior renovation of the Cranford Campus Center; replaced the roof on the Lessner Building, Elizabeth Campus; supplementary repairs to the College's Cranford fire alarm system; installation of a sprinkler system in MacDonald Hall, Cranford Campus; replaced the floor tile in the Nomahegan Building, Cranford Campus; remodeled the Emergency Health Services laboratory on the Plainfield Campus; and repaired the curbing on the Cranford Campus.

UCC selected Datatel's Colleague product as the ERP (Enterprise Resource Planning System) in 2009. The ERP provides support for the operations of nearly every administrative office and department of the College, including functions such as admission, student records and registration, general ledger, budget monitoring, purchasing, student accounts, and human resources. The implementation of the new Datatel Colleague ERP system will continue through 2010. Training will provide administrative users with technical skills to operate the system. Support will be provided by IT User Services.

Other major technology upgrades included the expansion and renovation of the PBX switch room on the Plainfield Campus; replacing WebCT distance learning system with Angel; transition to new Library systems hardware and software; replacement/upgrade of hardware and software in the Cranford Campus Faculty/Staff Computer Resource Center; replacement of servers; implementation of automated Microsoft Software Update Services; replacement of the Computer Center's uninterruptable power supply; upgrade of network electronics infrastructure in the Lessner Building on the Elizabeth Campus; increasing wireless network coverage; and upgrade of computer laboratory hardware and software.